

## **ATTORNEY GENERAL'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **STATUTORY AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to California Penal Code section 13100.1, the California Attorney General (AG) shall appoint an AG Advisory Committee, made-up of fifteen representatives from various criminal justice associations and state government agencies, to assist in the management of the criminal index and identification systems.

### **ROLE**

The role of the AG's Advisory Committee on Criminal History Record Improvement is to assist the AG in developing policies and procedures relevant to state summary criminal information, otherwise known as criminal offender record information (CORI). CORI is maintained in databases hosted by the California Department of Justice's (DOJ) California Justice Information Services Division and this committee will ensure criminal justice stakeholders have the opportunity to provide input on strategies to attain the most accurate and complete criminal history summary information.

Association and State Agency representatives' expertise, assistance and insight will be instrumental in determining the DOJ's approach to and decisions on automation efforts to meet stakeholder needs. Automation efforts include improving the accuracy and submission of all arrest events and increasing the number of subsequent dispositions. In addition, identifying and supporting legislation to further the goals of the committee, seeking funding opportunities for such improvements, and sharing critical information with represented associations and agencies are key responsibilities for each representative.

### **PURPOSE**

The AG's Advisory Committee on Criminal History Record Improvement will address the continued legislative and technological changes influencing criminal history record identification and information management. With the increased use of enabling technologies at the statewide and national levels to improve accuracy and timeliness of data sharing, the DOJ is looking for input from user agencies, via the members of the AG's Advisory Committee, to assist with realizing its mandate as the state criminal history repository.

### **OBJECTIVES**

- Improve communication, collaboration, and decision-making between criminal justice community stakeholders to address state and local record keeping practices, challenges, and opportunities.
- Formulate policy and promote legislative changes to ensure complete and accurate criminal history information in an effort to reduce the instances where the DOJ has a record of an arrest without the subsequent disposition, improve law enforcement's investigative capacity, promote officer safety, and improve background checks.
- Assess how we are delivering on our mission to support criminal justice and regulatory agencies by maintaining, analyzing, and providing access to California's CORI through continued technological innovation and collaborative partnerships.